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1. Ex-officers of the former German Armed Forces are inducted into the Soviet Zone police as officers at an increased rate.
2. Most of them have been line officers of the lower grades who had received their commissions as enlisted men, and therefore may be more susceptible to the communist ideology.
3. With the exception of some especially capable general staff officers, no officers descending from old German officer families were called to join the Soviet Zone police.
4. Mecklenburg Government officials believe that the new Soviet Zone police officer corps will form the cadre of the future German-Communist Army.

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